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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re	Application of:	)
ANDREAS STADLER, ET AL.		) Group Art Unit: ) Unknown
For:	METHOD AND DEVICE FOR CONVERTING VIRTUALLY CONCATENATED DATA STREAMS INTO CONTINGUOUSLY CONCATENATED DATA STREAMS	) ) Examiner: ) Unknown ) )
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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT BEFORE ACTION

TO: Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants request that the following amendments be made to the application before issuance of any first Examiner's Action:

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 18 in the manner set forth below:

Claim 3, line 1, change "any one of the claims 1 to 2" to --claim 1--.

Claim 4, line 1, change "any one of the claims 1 to 3" to --claim 1--.

Claim 5, line 1, change "any one of the claims 1 to 4" to --claim 1--.

Claim 6, line 1, change "any one of the claims 1 to 5" to --claim 1--.

Claim 7, line 1, change "any one of the claims 1 to 5" to --claim 1--.

Claim 8, line 1, change "any one of the claims 1 to 7" to --claim 1--.

Claim 9, line 1, change "any one of the claims 1 to 8" to --claim 1--.

Claim 10, line 1, change "any one of the claims 1 to 9" to --claim 1--.

Claim 11, line 1, change "any one of the claims 1 to 10" to --claim 1--.

Claim 12, line 1, change "any one of the claims 1 to 11" to --claim 1--. Claim 13, line 1, change "any one of the claims 1 to 12" to --claim 1--. Claim 14, line 1, change "any one of the claims 1 to 13" to --claim 1--. Claim 15, line 1, change "any one of the claims 1 to 14" to --claim 1--. Claim 16, line 1, change "any one of the claims 1 to 15" to --claim 1--. Claim 18, line 1, change "16 or 17" to --1--.

## **REMARKS**

Applicants are requesting the above amendments to the claims to remove multiple dependency from the claims and request that such amendments to the claims be made prior to the issuance of any first Examiner's Action on this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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